

KEETER HURDYING TO CLEAR UP HIS WORK BY MONDAY

Wishes South Bend Happy New
Year and Many of Them—
Then Plunges Into Work.

BUNKER TO REMAIN AS POLICE OFFICIAL

Reported That Chief Cassidy
Will Leave Department and
Kuespert May Get Job—
Bunker Well Thought Of.

"Wish everybody a Happy and
Prosperous New Year," was Mayor-
Elect Fred W. Keller's on the
morning of the closing day of
1913. "and at least four of them," he
added.

Then the mayor-elect assumed an
attitude of business, begged for quiet
and seclusion, that he might settle
down again to evolving a quiet
organization for the carrying out of
those multitudinous responsibilities
handed him in November.

The new administration assumes the
reins Monday noon, and the mayor-
elect is trying hard to have his private
as well as public business all attend-
ed by that time, and be ready for
the grand start.

He intends being ready for the
"hour of twelve transition" from
mayor-elect to mayor in fact, "or
bust a suspender."

Lang to Head Council.
Monday night the new council will
hold its first meeting and organize,
electing a president and vice president
for a year. Herman F. Lang, accord-
ing to rumor, will be elected president,
and Michael Ruechner, vice president.
Both are citizen councilmen, but with
previous experience.

The new council will probably hold
its first executive session Tuesday
night, and elect a chairman of the
committee of the whole, likely to be
awarded to a democrat, probably
Councilman Jere T. Hagerty.

Chief of Police Guy L. Bunker, de-
spite a successor having been named
by Mayor-Elect Keller and his board
of public safety, is to remain in the
south bend police department, not so
very far below his present position,
according to assurance vouchsafed by
a member of the board Wednesday.
In fact, the indications are that it was
a close draw whether Chief Bunker
would remain at the head of the de-
partment, or ex-Sheriff Millard F.
Kerr, who finally won the appoint-
ment, he placed over him.

It also appears that Chief of De-
tectives Cassidy may remain with the
department somewhere if he wants to,
but rumor about the city hall has it
that he means to retire and become
private detective for the Oliver Chilled
Pew works. John Kuespert, former
patrolman, may succeed to Cassidy's
present position, though the board of
public safety will not go so far as to change
the "may" to "will" just yet.

The evolution of the Keller work-
ing force promises to come thick and
fast the remainder of the week, and
probably the final appointments of
any importance will be made by Satur-
day, and most certainly by Monday
noon.

Board of Works Puzzled.
The board of public works has been
by far the slowest in reaching final
decisions, the naming of a city en-
gineer, street commissioner and a street
foreman, among others.

Harry E. Josephson had once been
virtually decided upon for clerk, and
then the board of safety slipped in
and took him away.

Next they had all but announced
Walter Eiler as clerk of the board,
when Eiler backed away and said he
could not afford it.

Not even the appointment of a clerk
has accordingly been made, say mem-
bers of the organization of the water-
works department, which comes under
that board's jurisdiction.

The superintendent of waterworks
is probably the most important office
that the board of works has to deal
out, and involving as it does the ad-
ministration of a considerable sum of
money, it is not surprising that the
city has an investment of virtually a mil-
lion dollars, a superintendent for a
million dollar corporation is what the
board is in search of.

The salary of the present superin-
tendent is only \$1,600, and the board
is finding it difficult to get the kind of
man they think the city should have
for that amount of money. It is vir-
tually settled, however, that the pres-
ent incumbent, Thomas H. Ayres, will
have to retire, or accept a subordi-
nate position, while it is said that
some of the clerkships, assistantships,
etc., will be disposed of entirely.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE ON AT
POSTOFFICE NEW YEAR'S

One Delivery in City and Rural Mail
Will Be Given Out at Window.

The holiday schedule will be in ef-
fect at the postoffice Thursday accord-
ing to the announcement posted Wed-
nesday. General delivery and
city carriers will make but one deliv-
ery when all letters as well as other im-
portant mail will be delivered. Collec-
tions will be made at all boxes at
this time and in the afternoon one col-
lection of the boxes in the business
section will be made by one of the
carriers.

Rural carriers will not make any
trips, but one of their number will be
at the office from 7 until 10 o'clock to
give out mail to those who call.

SPECK OF RADIUM IS STOLEN AT ST. LUKE'S

Tiny Amount of Precious Metal
Worth \$4,500 Disappears.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—A speck of
radium, weighing 35 milligrams and
worth \$4,500, has mysteriously dis-
appeared at St. Luke's hospital. Police
and private detectives Wednesday
were making a search for the mine of
the most valuable mineral. The ra-
dium was in a tiny platinum tube and
was being used to treat Marie Colton,
daughter of a wealthy Des Moines
family, who is suffering from cancer.
The vanished radium was the hospi-
tal's entire supply. Supt. Curtis
said Wednesday that he did not be-
lieve that it had been stolen because
a thief would have great difficulty in
selling that amount of radium with-
out explaining when it came, the en-
tire world's supply of the mineral be-
ing accounted for.

SCHMIDT CAN'T BE TRIED AGAIN SOON

Court Calendars Crowded and
Renegade Priest Who Drew
Disagreement Must Lie in
Jail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Hans
Schmidt, the renegade priest, will
again be placed on trial for the mur-
der of Anna Amulmer, but it is prob-
able that he will have to lie in the
Tombs for many months.

The court calendars are crowded and
his case cannot be reached for some
time.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Delehanty, who con-
ducted the first trial, said Wednesday
that he was confident of a conviction
in the second trial.

The jury first reported about 10
o'clock Tuesday night that it could
not reach an agreement and was dis-
charged.

Details of the bitter dispute among
the jurors who deliberated the case,
were told Wednesday by John Grivich,
juror No. 4.

Angered by the statement made to
Judge Foster by Lawrence Ottlinger,
foreman of the jury, that "Grivich
and William McAuliffe, the two ju-
rors who held out for acquittal, were
unfit to serve," Grivich said:

"From the first McAuliffe and my-
self were convinced Schmidt was in-
sane when he killed the girl. No mat-
ter what arguments we put up the
other ten would not listen. They re-
fused to recognize the strain of in-
sane in Schmidt's family. McAuliffe
and myself wanted Schmidt to be
sent to Matteawan, but the others held
out that he would act just as Harry
Thaw did. Bitter slurs were cast up
on us and frequently I was for re-
sisting them with my state."

Finally Foreman Ottlinger propo-
sed that we find Schmidt guilty and
then go in a body to the governor and
ask that the prisoner be sent to an
insane asylum instead of to the elec-
tric chair, but Judge Foster would not
entertain the proposal. I do not
think that our stands proves that we
were unfit to serve as jurors."

The foreman of the jury reported
to Judge Foster that there was pos-
sibility of an agreement being
reached, the last ballot taken being
exactly as the first. Two of the ju-
rors had stood out against conviction
at the time, said Foreman Ot-
tinger.

The accused ex-priest heard the
report of the jury without showing
much interest. It was learned that
the two jurors who had failed to
agree with the other 10 were of the
opinion that Schmidt was insane when
he killed the woman with whose mur-
der he was charged.

The crime for which Hans Schmidt
has been on trial is considered one
of the most revolting in the history
of this city. Early in September parts
of a woman's body were found in the
Hudson river. Schmidt was arrested
a few days later and admitted that on
Sept. 2 he had killed Anna Amulmer,
a woman with whom he had lived.
He said he had been driven to this
crime by the fact that she was the
last of a large family and he was
unable to support her.

The trial started Dec. 8 and towards
the last became largely a battle be-
tween the alienists for the defense and
the state. Schmidt's father and sis-
ter came from Germany to this coun-
try to assist in his defense of insan-
ity.

ROSTUSER NAMES EXPERIENCED MAN

This time it is Harvey F. Rostuser,
city clerk-elect, who breaks into the
limelight with an appointment—the
appointment of his deputy. City
clerk McKeehan, age 31, residing at
805 Harrison av.

McKeehan, like most of the appoint-
ments by Mayor-Elect Keller, is a
practical man, along with Rostuser
himself, and the remainder of the next
appointment, made as Rostuser
puts it, on an efficiency basis. Others
who have applied for the position
would have made good deputies, but
Mr. McKeehan has had experience in
the department which will relieve him
of the necessity of spending several
months learning what he already
knows.

The appointee served with his com-
ing chief as deputy city clerk for ten
months under Nelson H. Kyser, pre-
decessor of Clerk Frank Bilinski. He
was taken on when the work of the
city court was shouldered upon the
department, and remained until Kyser
went out of office.

He will enter upon his duties next
Monday at noon, along with Rostuser
himself, and the remainder of the next
administration. The announcement
made Wednesday goes from the clerk
to his deputy as a sort of New Year's
present, promising four years of pros-
perity and best wishes for an equal
term of happiness.

WHEN BANDIT VILLA LOOTED CHIHUAHUA



Photographed in Mexico by Staff
Photographer W. H. Durborough.

The large picture is a photograph
taken at Chihuahua, showing some of
Gen. Villa's 4,500 rebels leaving Chi-
huahua for Ojinaga, where the latest
decisive Mexican battle has just taken
place. The other picture is of Maria
Gutierrez, one of Villa's famous woman
fighters—"Amazons"—who has just
been promoted for bravery from the
rank of sergeant to lieutenant. "Lieut.
Maria" is now at Ojinaga.

BELL AND WEIDLER ARRAIGN MACHINE

Insurgent Democrats Organize
League at Indianapolis and
Urge Direct Primaries and
Constitutional Convention.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—Fifty-
eight democrats, representing every
congressional district in Indiana, or-
ganized the "Progressive Wilson-
Bryan league," as a revolt against the
so-called "Taggart machine" and
adopted resolutions advocating direct
primaries and a constitutional con-
vention. James A. Bell of Elkhart
bitterly denounced the "machine" as
follows:

"The interests of the people of In-
diana are never safe while the predi-
cament rascals are burrowing in the
foundations of society. I say to them
'to—' with you,' whenever they
say, 'oh, let's forget it for the party's
sake,' which is always the plea put up
after a machine-packed convention has
been put over by these rascals who
have sold their birthright for a
miserable mess of pottage."

Charles Weidler of South Bend,
who was characterized as "the build-
ing of St. Joseph county," and Mayor
Hammond of Peru, were equally em-
phatic in their denunciations of the
"machine."

The league adopted resolutions con-
demning what was termed "Boss
rule," and asserted that the organi-
zation would fight to make the de-
mocratic party the party of the peo-
ple.

The resolutions praised the admin-
istration of Pres. Wilson for the tariff
legislation and currency bill.

Richard B. Kirby of Indianapolis
presided. Bernard E. O'Connor of
Indianapolis was made permanent
secretary and Theodore Dammyer,
Indianapolis, treasurer. Another
meeting will be held at the call of
the executive committee.

Kirby Is Criticized.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—At a
special meeting of the board of di-
rectors of the Indiana Democratic
Traveling Men's club here Tuesday
night, the action of R. B. Kirby,
president of the club, in partici-
pating in the meeting of the independ-
ent democrats was strongly condemn-
ed. The resolution declares that
Kirby is interested in the movement
to "further his own selfish interests."

DEMAND FOR SHORTS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A lively de-
mand for December by shorts who had
to take up their contracts was the
chief feature at the opening of the
cotton market. As a result December
options after starting 12 points down,
advanced immediately after the call to
last night's level. First prices
from four to 12 points lower in the
near months and from unchanged to
two points higher in the later months.

ROCKEFELLER LEADS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—In the
year 1913 ending Wednesday, \$1,465,422 was the total of
donations and bequests to educa-
tional, charitable, religious and
other public occupations in the
U. S.

John D. Rockefeller gave the
largest individual sum, \$1,146,500.
Carnegie distributed \$5,662,000.
His total in the last few
years reaches over \$20,000,000.

Of the total amount donated or
left by will during 1913, \$85,000,
\$109,640 went to charity, \$27,776,
\$97 to education, \$24,270,000 to
religion, \$23,560,595 to municipal
improvements and \$2,162,000 to
libraries.

NAME CHICAGO PROFESSOR.
CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 31.—
Andrew C. McLaughlin, professor of
history in Chicago university, was
elected president of the American
Historical association in convention
here Tuesday.

Tonight is the Night

BY HI SIBLEY.

Bong! Bong! Bong!
(Phonetic imitation of town clock
booming hour of twelve).

"Good bye cigarette—farewell poker
chip—along sherry flip!"
(Echo of five million dilettantes re-
nouncing the pleasures of the world.)
All hail the New Year! The New
Year has come!

And it has brought along with it a
number of ornamental things: resolu-
tions and headaches, for instance.
They are transient, however, for
about as soon as the headache de-
parts for a short vacation, the resolu-
tion will slip away—to remain in-
definitely. At least until another New
Year's day.

Be that as it may, tonight is the big
night. In Chicago and New York it
is estimated that a million dollars will

be spent for champagne. Possibly 40
cents of this will go for food. Enough
cigarettes will be smoked to reach from
New York to Council Bluffs, Iowa, if
laid end to end, and intoxicating
beverages enough to fill the Panama
canal will be drunk.

A midnight performance at the Or-
pheum and Majestic, some of the
clubs will celebrate and there will be
a number of private affairs, but as
far as down town is concerned a little
red fire, tooting of fish horns, clang-
ing of bells, will constitute the out-
ward evidences of the big night.

Happy New Year!

MAY ARBITRATE CALUMET STRIKE

Rumored That Miners' Officials
Wired Proposal to Washing-
ton—Densmore Making Lit-
tle Progress.

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 31.—A re-
port was widely circulated here Wed-
nesday afternoon that officials of the
Western Federation of Miners had
wired to government officials at
Washington proposing that the cop-
per strike in the Calumet district be
settled by arbitration under the Erd-
man law.

Labor leaders in Calumet would
not affirm or deny the report.

Progress in the effort of J. E.
Densmore, solicitor for the depart-
ment of labor, to arrange a peaceful
settlement of the labor troubles was
forwarded slowly Wednesday because
of the absence of James MacNaught-
on, general manager of the Calumet
& Hecla Mining Co., who is some-
where in the east.

MacNaughton is considered the
most powerful man of all the opera-
tors in the copper country, and his
assent to any peace plan is necessary.

The miners who are still on strike
are unwilling to discuss peace terms
while Chas. H. Meyer, president of
the Western Federation of Miners, is
in Chicago, recovering from a bullet
wound which he says was inflicted in
his back when he was mobbed by a
party of Calumet and Hancock citi-
zens on the night after Christmas.
Meanwhile the cities of Calumet,
Hancock and Houghton were peace-
ful and no sign of disorder.

Possible identification of the man who
started the Christmas eve catastrophe
by calling "fire" in a crowded hall
here was forecast Tuesday night by O.
N. Hilton, chief of counsel of the West-
ern Federation of Miners. Mr. Hilton
asked that the coroner's inquest into
the tragedy of 72 deaths be ad-
journed until Wednesday, saying that
he desired to produce witnesses who
could identify the man.

"I shall present these witnesses
only after I make sure that they can
do what they say," he said.
"It would be horrible to implicate an
innocent person in such a deed."

OFFERS TO SELL HER HUSBAND FOR \$1,000

"I'd Rather Have My Cat" Writes
Wife Who Makes Offer.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—"I am willing
to sell my husband for \$1,000 cash,"
wrote Miss Agnes Bedell of Quincy,
to Miss Mary E. Chandler, in a let-
ter which Miss Chandler has made
public. Wm. Bedell, the husband, is
alleged to have expressed his willing-
ness to be "sold."

The letter, after explaining that
Mrs. Bedell had seen Miss Chandler's
name in the newspapers, continued:
"I see where you need a husband
to take care of your property and to
be a father to your baby. My hus-
band is a working man tired of sup-
porting a family on small pay. I
want money to open a boarding
house. He will be content to sit
with you and to tend the baby. As for
me, I'd rather have my cat."

ACQUITTED OF BRIBERY.
VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 31.—State
sen. Hobbs was acquitted Wednesday
of the charge of accepting a bribe.
The case has been on trial for sev-
eral weeks.

14 FREEZE TO DEATH.
SARATOV, Russia, Dec. 31.—Four-
teen persons have been frozen to death
in a severe snow storm in the Pa-
rovsk district. Many others are mis-
sing.

FEDERALS LOSING AT OJINAGA

Gen. Orozco's Troops Beat Back
Terrific Attack of Rebel
Force, But Ranks Are Thin-
ned By Desertions.

WILSON TO SEE LIND;
HUERTA'S FALL NEAR

Special Envoy Arranges for
Hurried Conference With
President on Course to Fol-
low After Dictator's Defeat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Import-
ant developments in the Mexican
situation will be laid before Pres. Wilson
by Envoy John Lind at Pass Christian,
Miss., Thursday. Officials of the state
department Wednesday refused to
state what matter have made this per-
sonal conference necessary but the
fact that the scout cruiser Chester
was placed at the disposal of Mr. Lind
that he might make the fastest time
possible coming and returning to Vera
Cruz was said to indicate that he does
not wish to be away from Mexico for
any length of time.

Unless the plans of the navy depart-
ment fail, the envoy will be on his way
back to Vera Cruz Thursday night or
early Friday morning.

HUERTA'S DOOM NEAR?
PASS CHRISTIAN, Miss., Dec. 31.—
Pres. Wilson Wednesday declined to
discuss in any way his coming confer-
ence with Envoy Lind, but it is believ-
ed that Lind knows the downfall of
Gen. Huerta is only a few days off, and
that preparations must be made by the
U. S. to meet the situation.

Federals Weakening.
PRESIDIO, TEXAS, Dec. 31.—Vic-
torious in their first clash with the at-
tacking rebels, the troops of Gen.
Orozco still hold possession of Ojinaga
Wednesday but their position is be-
coming weaker hourly because of the
desertions from the federal ranks.

The battle which began Tuesday
morning raged all day, but there was
a cessation of fighting late in the
night because the darkness prevented
the rapid movement of troops and
both sides were exhausted.

Dawn Wednesday found the rebels
led by Gen. Ortega ready for the final
assault upon Ojinaga, regulars and
three divisions, comprising a total of
7,500 men.

According to reports that came
across the border, early Wednesday,
more than 700 men have already fallen
in the fighting.

The Red Cross has been asked to
be prepared to care for hundreds of
wounded here and a special train
nurses and physicians will arrive this
afternoon from El Paso.

From the Rio Grande to Marfa the
highways are thronged with federal
deserters from the garrison at Ojin-
aga. It is estimated that during the
past few days nearly 1,000 soldiers
have fled from the Mexican hamlet.

Weak from lack of food their cloth-
ing in tatters and without money, the
government troops, regulars and Ir-
regulars, are deserting the cause for
which they fought in vain in northern
Mexico.

Mothers with new born babies in
their arms and little children tagging
at their heels, through the road to
Marfa. Heads of families with a few
belongings on their backs, led the
long procession and the road to Marfa
is now called the "highway of sor-
row."

ASSASSINATE HUERTA.
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31.—Pres.
Huerta will be heavily guarded at his
New Year's reception Thursday as the
result of the revelation of a plot to
assassinate him. More than a dozen
persons have been already arrested
but it is not yet definitely known that
all the plotters are in custody.

RURALES AMBITIOUS.
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31.—A detach-
ment of 125 rurales was ambushed in
the state of Mexico Wednesday by
Zapataistas and all were killed. The
ambush occurred between Mexi-
cans and the volunteer Popocatepetl.

PRESIDIO, TEXAS, Dec. 31.—The
battle between 5,000 rebels under Gen.
Toribio Ortega and the northern di-
vision of the Mexican federal army,
entrenched around Ojinaga, Mex.,
across the border from this place,
still was in progress when darkness
fell Tuesday night. No bullets came
across the border for 36 hours and
many had been killed and wounded
on both sides.

Gen. Ortega, executing a series of
flank movements, kept steadily on the
offensive, gaining foot by foot the ap-
proaches to the federal stronghold.
The federal forces, although crippled
and disorganized by the first rebel
onslaught, which drove in their posi-
tions, along the hill side trenches,
where their leaders had decided to
make a last stand.

The federals rallied somewhat from
the panic which seized many of them
when daylight disclosed the position
of Ortega's men, and put up a plucky
fight against heavy odds, although
their losses were heavy, both in men
wounded and from desertions. Many
wounded and deserters waded waist
deep through the river to the American
side.

Although 5,000 rebels were en-
gaged, the loss of many of them was
heavy.

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